



# Ashleigh Primary School News

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*Together we Learn Grow and Achieve*

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The Ashleigh School community joins the Royal Family and the nation in mourning the loss of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

As sovereign to the UK and Commonwealth for more than 70 years, and as the longest-reigning British Monarch, she leaves behind an extraordinary legacy of service and dedication.

From a young girl who did not expect to be Queen, to an iconic and celebrated figure who became Britain's longest reigning monarch. For every generation, she provided an example and continuity that unites us today in offering our heartfelt condolences.

We have used today to remember and celebrate the life of Queen Elizabeth. After a special assembly in the morning, everyone observed a 2 minute silence at 11am. Children throughout school have had the opportunity to talk about how they feel about recent events.

We have created a Book of Condolence page on our school website ([Book of Condolence - HRH QUEEN ELIZABETH II | Ashleigh Primary School \(ashleighdarwen.co.uk\)](#)), your messages will go directly to the Royal Family Book of Condolence.

We have set aside an area near to the Ashleigh sign in the gardens, where from tonight onwards, you can lay flowers. This will be available before and after school, all next week.

Although it wasn't appropriate to have our usual celebration assembly this morning, today's golden tie winners will have their ties presented next Friday.

We will share any other arrangements with you, as they become known to us.



## **NAMED UNIFORM**

Please ensure that all uniform and coats, hats etc., **have your child's name clearly marked.** This will help during PE lessons, break times etc., in ensuring that your child is wearing the correct clothing and does not get it mixed up or lost!

## **SCHOOL LIBRARY AFTER SCHOOL SESSION**

Do you want to help your child develop a love of reading?

Our school library is open from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September every Monday 3.30pm-4.00pm for family browsing sessions.



Pupils will be able to borrow an extra two books per week to read at home. These can only be returned at family browsing sessions. All pupils will still visit the library with their class once a week, and there are lunchtime book clubs open to various age groups as well.

All children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult for this session. To gain access to the library, please enter via the door next to Reception Class/Y5 and go straight up the stairs. All age groups are welcome.

We look forward to seeing you!

Mrs Wood  
Library Manager

## **SHINE ASSEMBLY**

We are delighted to welcome parents back to join us for Shine Assembly on Fridays if their child has won the Golden Tie that week. If your child has won a golden tie you will receive notification via the school app on Thursday afternoon. Please can parents come through the blue doors at the front of the building, doors will open at 8.55am.

## **MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September, we will, as usual, be taking part in a country wide coffee morning, to support the wonderful charity, Macmillan Cancer Support. Please send in donations of cakes either that morning, or you can drop them off the night before and children can bring £1 to buy a cake. Many thanks.



## **SCHOOL DINNERS / PARENTPAY**

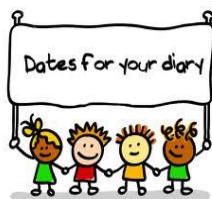
A reminder that school dinners are now £2.30/day, £11.50 a week. I'm sure that anyone who has been able to sample Mrs Holden and her team's lunches would agree that this is still fabulous value for money.



A reminder that children who have gone into Year 3 are no longer entitled to Universal Free School Meals and payment can be made on ParentPay for anyone who would like school dinners.

## SCHOOL APP

Please make sure you have the school app and it is kept updated. If you purchase a new phone and the app is not working please contact the office to let them know, as another code will need to be text out to you to allow you access again.



Swimming starts - Year 5	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	9am
Reception children parents invited to lunch	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	11.15am & 11.45am
Paris meeting for parents	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	6.00pm
Macmillan Coffee Morning	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	
Break up for half term	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	3.30pm
Back to school	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	8.45am